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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

A Notice of Appeal, with an Extension of Time Request was filed with the Patent Office on February 9, 2006, in response to the Final Office Action mailed August 9, 2005.

Applicant is submitting a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) herewith. Please enter the following amendments and remarks in response to the Final Office Action:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.